GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, Former Executive Engineer, Projects Implementation Division, FAC E.E. Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired) – Convicted on 29.12.2023 in C.C.No.131/2018 - Imposition of penalty of withholding of pension and gratuity in full, permanently under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.274

Dated: 26.03.2024
Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, letter RC.No.321/RCT-REG/2009, dt.17.06.2010.
2. G.O.Ms.No.322, PR&RD (Vig. I) Dept., Dt: 09.9.2010.
3. From the Director General, ACB, Letter RC.No.321/RCT-REG/2009 , dt.02.01.2024.
4. From the DG, ACB, letter RC.No.321/RCT-REG/2009, dt.05.03.2024 along with Judgement copy in C.C.131/2018 passed by the Hon'ble Spl. Judge for SPE and ACB Cases Rajamahendravaram.
5. Representation of Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, former Executive Engineer, PIU Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired), dt.22.02.2024.

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ORDER:

Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, while working as Executive Engineer, Projects Implementation Division, FAC E.E. Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired), was trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities on 30.12.2009 on the allegation of demand and acceptance of bribe from the complainant Sri Tibirisetty Uday Kumar, contractor for doing an official favour of passing the bills pertaining to (4) C.C. Road works executed by the complainant.

2. And whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, sanction was accorded to prosecute Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, Former Executive Engineer, Projects Implementation Division, FAC E.E. Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired), for the offences punishable under sections 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of Section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable, under any other provisions of Law and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a Court of competent jurisdiction. He was charge sheeted in a Court of Law.

3. And whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, has informed that Hon'ble Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Rajamahendravaram pronounced judgment on 29.12.2023 and convicted the Accused Officer Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, Formerly Executive Engineer, Project Implementation Division, FAC EE, Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired) District and sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of 03 years and to pay a fine of Rs.5,000/- and in default to suffer

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one month simple imprisonment, for the offence under section 7 of PC Act, 1988. The Court further sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of 03 years and to pay a fine of Rs.5000/- and in default, to suffer one month simple imprisonment for the offence under section 13(2) r/w 13(1) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. Both the sentences were ordered to run concurrently. He has, therefore, requested the Government to take immediate action to withhold the pension etc., of the Accused Officer Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, Formerly EE, in full permanently under the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was convicted in a Criminal Case.

4. And whereas, in the reference 4th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has furnished the Judgment copy in C.C.131/2018 passed by the Hon'ble Spl. Judge for SPE and ACB Cases Rajamahendravaram and requested to furnish the copy of the orders of withholding of pension of the Accused Officer to Bureau for record.

5. And whereas, in the reference 5th read above, Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, formerly Executive Engineer, Project Implementation Division, FAC EE, Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired) while enclosing the orders of the Hon'ble High Court in Criminal Appeal No.31/2024 has submitted a representation wherein he has informed among others that he had fled an appeal for suspension of sentence before the Hon'ble High Court on 09.01.2024. The Hon'ble High Court admitted his case and gave a status quo by suspending sentence until the case is disposed of in High Court. Therefore, the AO has requested to continue 75% pension until the appeal case is disposed of in the Hon'ble High Court.

6. And whereas the Hon'ble High Court of A.P., in its interim orders, dt.09.01.2024 in Criminal Appeal No.31/2024 fled by the Accused Officer, suspended the sentence of imprisonment alone, imposed by the trial court, as such conviction remains.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of pension and gratuity in full, permanently against the Accused Officer Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, former Executive Engineer, Projects Implementation Division, FAC E.E. Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired) under Rule 9 (1) read with rule (8)(2) of APRPR, 1980.

8. Accordingly, hereby impose a penalty of withholding of pension and gratuity in full, permanently against the Accused Officer Sri Billuri Narasimha Reddy, Former Executive Engineer, Projects Implementation Division, FAC E.E. Maintenance Division, PR, Kakinada (now retired) under Rule 9 (1) read with Rule (8)(2) of APRPR, 1980 as he was convicted in a criminal case in CC.No.131/2018 pronounced judgment on 29.12.2023 by the Hon'ble Special Judge for SPE and ACB Cases Rajamahendravaram.

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9. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:
Sri B. Narasimha Reddy, Retired EE., PR,R/o H.No.27-64, Billurivaripalli, Sompalli (Village & PO), Mulakalacheruvu (M), Annamaiah District (through ENC, PR,Vijayawada)
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada (in duplicate with a request to obtain and furnish the dated acknowledgment of the orders)
Copy to:
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, AP, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, AP, Vijayawada.
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